



Our Lady of Peace



“Lent comes providentially
to reawaken us,
to shake us from our lethargy.

Pope Francis

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The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month, 11:00AM Mass & 12:30PM respectively. A mandatory preparation class for parents is available:

2018: March 12, May 21.

Call the Parish office to register.

Sacrament of Matrimony An appointment with a parish priest six months prior to the wedding date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 3:45 - 4:45PM or by appt.

New Parishioners Welcome! Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or register online.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) Anyone seeking information on becoming Catholic or completing one's initiation into the Catholic faith should call the Parish Office.

Our Mission Statement:

Our Lady of Peace is a Catholic Community of Faith called to proclaim the greatness of the Lord through Worship, Service, Education and Ministry.

Prayer Request Line: Marge Ward 833-8837 Christine Beaver 833-8017

Church Cleaners for the Week of February 18

Team 5:

Diane S., Denise G., Meg E.

Thank you to all those who are willing to help with this important ministry of keeping our church clean and beautiful.

Those interested in joining this ministry please call the Church Office.

OLP Seniors Group

The OLP Seniors Group will next meet on April 5, 2018.

Due to the flu season we will not meet in March.

For more information please call Nancy, 833-6294, until our new President, Mary Esser, takes over. See you in the Spring!

Sunday's Readings:

First Reading - God's covenant with Noah when he was delivered from the flood (Genesis 9:8-15).

Psalm - Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).

Second Reading - The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).

Gospel - This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand (Mark 1:12-15).

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PEOPLE OF THE COVENANT

If there is one word that stands out in today's readings, it is "covenant." God's faithfulness and goodness serve as examples to us of how to live. Genesis tells the story of Noah and of God's covenant not only with all people, but with all of nature. Never will the cleansing waters of the flood bring their destructive power to all the earth again. The sign, the reminder to both God and nature, is the rainbow in the heavens.

The psalm reminds us of this compassion of God, and begs God to remember us, not because of our goodness, but because of God's goodness and fidelity to the promise. God shows us how to be good, not by decree, but by example.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2018

7:00AM Peggy Pulice - Husband, John
12:10PM Chuck Harry - Bev & Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018

7:00AM Jim Wingenschach - Bill Yezzi & Family
12:10PM Mary DiPaolo - Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018

7:00AM Martin Taylor - Acerra Family
12:10PM Helen Zibrinyi - Katherine Zibrinyi

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018

7:00AM MaryAnn Obmann - Friend
9:00AM School Mass - Dennis Drake - Wife
12:10PM Steve & Ann Babick - Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2018

7:00AM Sara Stoops - Darleen Wilkinson
12:10PM Edna Pashke - Judy, Chris & Katie Bosner
6:00PM Confessions
7:00PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018

8:00AM Rudy Bruno - Mezzacapo Family
5:00PM Msgr. Robert Schriefer & William Schriefer -
Robert Schriefer Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2018

Second Sunday of Lent

7:30AM Parishioners
9:00AM Hank & JoAnne Starr - Debby Holmes
11:00AM David Krashesky - Family
4:30PM Thomas DiRienzo - Family
7:00PM Holy Hour

SANCTUARY LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Bill Meterko - Bob Walchack Family.

CHAPEL LAMP - The lamp is burning this week in memory of Matthew Amory - James J. Galkiewicz.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED - Please pray for Joseph Hampy. May his family find hope and consolation through their faith in the resurrected Lord.

BANN I

Dan & Andrea Mumford
(Marriage Convalidation)



Readings for the Week of February 18th

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;
Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10,
15-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

OLP 31 Club

Praying for vocations every day of the year!

Members of the 31 Club agree to go to daily Mass on a particular day every month and offer that Mass for an increase of vocations to the Church. There is a great need for vocations in the Church today. One of the best ways to increase vocations is through prayer, and the greatest prayer we have is the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

Upcoming Mass commitments:

Feb. 18: Frank G, Carly Y., Rachel O.

Feb. 19: Amber D, Chris L, Kim G.

Feb. 20: Debi C., Kim D., James T., Roseann G., Jack Y.,
Donna G.

Feb. 21: George O., Connie R., Maureen T., Rami S.

Feb. 22: John G., Ruth H., Sally R., Dianne Y., Gloria M.

Feb. 23: Heidi A.

Feb. 24: Mary Ann A., Magherita H., Audrey & Robert H.

If you would like to join the OLP 31 Club, please call Dave or Kathy Wayman at 454-8974. There are no dues and no meetings, only opportunities for grace and the satisfaction that comes from helping to fulfill a great need in the Church.

When at Mass offer the Mass for Vocations by praying the prayer below...

Serra Prayer for Vocations

O God, who wills not the death of a sinner * but rather that he be converted and live * grant we beseech you * through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin * Saint Joseph, her spouse * St. Junipero Serra * and all the saints * an increase of laborers for your Church * fellow laborers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls * through the same Jesus Christ * Your Son * Who lives and reigns with You * In the unity of the Holy Spirit * God forever * and ever. Amen.

From the Pastor's Desk...

To my Spiritual Family of Our Lady of Peace-

This Sunday, February 18th we will celebrate the Rite of Sending with our RCIA candidates at the I I AM Mass. We "send" the candidates to the Rite of Election with Bishop Persico which takes place at St. Peter Cathedral that same day at 3:00PM. These rites are the beginning of the Period of Enlightenment which is the catechumens (those preparing for Baptism) and candidates (those preparing for Eucharist and Confirmation) final period of preparation for entering full communion with us in the Catholic faith (which takes place at the Easter Vigil- March 31st). The following are the catechumens and candidates here at OLP (with their sponsors name):

Catechumens: Nyssa Carr (Jennifer Trapp), Pam Lauer (Kim Graham), Justin Miles (Cynthia Berarducci)

Candidates: Gerald Lee, III (Nancy Dombrowski), Rebecca Lupo (Angela Lombardi), Mindi Wierzchowski (Karen Martin), Cathie Cook (Darlene Williams), Beth Herbst (Gordon Herbst)

Please keep them in your prayers and consider joining them and Bishop Persico at the Rite of Election.

Initially Lent was a time just for the catechumens of the church to prepare for their initiation but the church quickly realized that this was a great opportunity for all Catholics to be renewed through recommitment to Christian disciplines. So it evolved into the annual "retreat" and basic training that we now experience it to be. Take advantage of it and unite with your brothers and sisters in Christ throughout the word in making more room for Jesus in your life and in your heart.

May God bless our RCIA catechumens and candidates as well as our week and our Lent ahead!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Rich

Our Lady of Peace.... pray for us!


St. Joseph, universal patron of the church.... pray for us!

St. Patrick, patron of the Diocese of Erie.... pray for us!

Other notes from the pastor...

****Bennett McCoy Pilgrimage Trip to the Holy Land** Bennett is traveling with Gannon University to Israel and the West Bank this May of 2018 and is looking for persons willing to sponsor his trip. This weekend he will be in the vestibule after all the Masses to answer any questions.

****Men's and Women's Conferences** Hopefully you have seen and heard that we are blessed to be hosting the Diocesan Men's (March 3rd) and Women's (April 21st) Conferences here at Our Lady of Peace. Between our hosting and the fact that we are one of the largest parishes in the Diocese of Erie, I hope that we would have the largest representation as a parish at both conferences. For the men, it is a great Lenten opportunity to set aside time for God and for the women it is a great way to celebrate the joy of Easter. Men and Women are different and have different spiritualities and this is a great chance to be uniquely challenged as men and women of God and to come together to support each other in that way. I cannot encourage enough ALL the men and women of our parish to be a part of these days of grace!




****The Bible and the Sacraments** As our Bible Study of the Gospel of St. Mark comes to a conclusion, I want to encourage you to participate in our next adult formation Lenten Series called "The Sacraments in the Bible." It will take place on the **Tuesdays of Lent starting on February 20th from 7-9pm in the main church.** It includes a video presentations.. You are welcome to come for one or all of the presentations. There will be fellowship after all the sessions. See elsewhere in the bulletin for more details and please consider incorporating this adult formation opportunity in your Lenten plan.

****Paschal Candle Memorial** The Paschal Candle, also called the Christ Candle or Easter Candle, is one of the great liturgical symbols we have in our church and represents Jesus as the Light of the World. It is blessed at the great Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday Night and then leads the procession into the dark church as we start the celebration of Christ's Resurrection. We light our candles from it as a reminder that we first received the light of Christ on our Baptism and as the light spreads throughout the church we see a living manifestation of Christ's light breaking the darkness of this world of sin. The candle then takes a primary spot in the sanctuary throughout the Easter Season. After the Easter Season, the Paschal Candle is placed next to the Baptismal Font where it is used for all baptisms and funerals throughout the year. Every year the parish purchases a new paschal candle at the cost of \$490. If you would be interested in donating the candle in memory of a loved one, call the parish office and we can arrange the details.

****Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) 2018 Commitment Sunday**

To summarize our CSA 2018- our parish goal is \$220,000 with \$172, 559 designated for our diocesan assessment and the remainder going to our parish projects- which include renovation of the church restrooms, repainting and re-carpeting the parish office hallway and offices and the replacement of the outdoor mushroom lights around the church. Ideally you are asked to bring your pledge envelope to Mass this weekend and include it in the offertory (to symbolically reinforce that this is part of your offering to God at Mass). Remember that if you are not able to make a financial pledge, that your spiritual pledge of prayer and fasting are just as important and it let's me know that you are committed to our mission so please still hand in a pledge envelope. Envelopes are also available at Mass if you do not bring yours. If you are not prepared to make your pledge this weekend, then you are welcome to include it in the offertory at Mass over the next month or mail it to or drop it off at the office. One way or the other, make sure you get it to us and it would be great if we all could make our pledge by the end of February to see where we stand with our goal. Thank you for your support!

****Lent Opportunities/Plan** It is not too late to make a plan for your Lenten commitments in the areas of prayer, fasting and almsgiving (giving to the poor). Here are some opportunities at OLP to consider to intensify your spiritual commitment during Lent: **DAILY MASS** (it has been a powerful Catholic tradition to commit to this pray more regularly during Lent); **Daily Rosary** is said at 11:35am in the main church from Monday through Friday; **Stations of the Cross** at 7pm on all Fridays during Lent; **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** on Friday, March 2nd from 7:30am-3pm and Holy Hours on Sundays, February 25th and March 11th from 7-8pm; **"24 Hours for the Lord"** at St. Peter Cathedral on March 9th



FAITH FORMATION NEWS
NO RELIGIOUS CLASSES February 18, 2018

Elementary (Grades K-5) - Religious Ed classes next meet Sunday, February 25, 2018 from 10:30 to 12:15. Dismissal is from the cafeteria.

The Grade 5 Retreat is Sunday, February 25, 2018 starting at 10:30 in the school. All families are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross with us at 12:30 in the church. Any **Secondary students** attending Stations of the Cross will get 1 hour of prayer for Salt and Light. Dismissal is from the church after Stations. (approximately 1:00PM)

Secondary (Grades 6-10) - Religious Ed classes next meet Sunday, March 4, 2018 from 5:30 to 7:30 in the school.

Confirmation (Grade 11) - Formation classes next meet on Sunday, February 25, 2018 from 6-8PM in the school
 All Confirmation forms should have been turned in. If you have outstanding forms please give them to your facilitator at your next class.
 All forms can be found on our website under the Faith Formation tab at www.olp.org

For more info please contact Tammie Mang, Faith Formation Director, at 838-9983 or Tammie.mang@olp.org

and 10th from 5pm-5pm with Adoration and Confessions available; **Operation Rice Bowl** (given to all the parish children) to support Catholic Relief Services; **The Bible and the Sacraments Sessions** on Tuesdays in Lent from 7-9pm (see elsewhere for full schedule); our local **Lenten Penance Services**- Blessed Sacrament, Tuesday, March 13th at 7pm; St. Jude, Thursday, March 15th at 7pm; **OLP, Sunday, March 18th at 6pm**; and St. George, Sunday, March 25th at 7pm and extra times for confession after all Sunday morning Masses; ALSO- consider taking and using one of the free Lenten devotionals called "The Word Among Us" (available at the doors of the church as of this printing).

****OLP School Registration for 2018/19** It is not too late to consider Our Lady of Peace School as an option for your children or to encourage your family or friends to consider our school for their children. There are great things happening at our school and I/we need your help to get the word out! I also want to make it clear that there are financial aids available to families for whom the cost of tuition is prohibitive. Please do not presume you cannot afford it. Come see me or our principal, Lisa Panighetti, or our Director of Advancement Kathy Grisier to see what options may be available to you before you decide you cannot send your child/children there. I ask all parents in our parish with school aged children to seriously discern Our Lady of Peace School for your children.

A Family Perspective

Jesus went into the desert to put his life in perspective. This lent, take a fresh look at a difficult relationship in your life. Concentrate on the positive things that person does, not just the negatives. Try to understand why their behaviors 'bug' you. Can you honestly share your feelings with them without attacking them?
 Make Lent a time to MEND and FORGIVE!

Join us for a Lenten Study
 Tuesday Evenings during Lent
 7:00PM in the Church

The Bible and the Sacraments



- Discover the Old Testament roots of the Sacraments instituted by Christ.
- Grow in knowledge of the Sacraments central to the Catholic faith.
- Learn how the seven Sacraments have the power to transform our lives and shape us for eternity.

Each week there will be a video presentation followed by a discussion/Q&A Session.
 (There will be no homework!)

A Stewardship of Sharing
Week of January 28, 2018
Fiscal Year July 2017 - June 2018

Weekly Envelope.....	\$ 11,757
Loose.....	\$ 1,157
Other Income.....	\$ 2,243
Total Weekly Income.....	\$ 15,157

In Iraq, we encounter Majd and his family, people forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities?

Sunday, February 18: This week we pray for Majd in Iraq and all those fleeing violence. Read his story. Safety and security are essential to living a dignified life - what migrant families are seeking. Visit crsricebowl.org for more info.



Our Lady of Peace Parish Membership Form

CHECK ONE:

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____

- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Want envelopes

Please drop Membership Form into the offertory basket or mail to rectory.

Youth & Family Ministry News

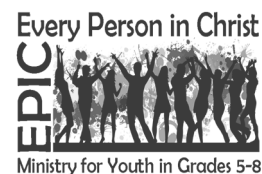
This Week, February 18 to February 24

- 2/18/18, Sunday 12:15 to 1:30pm: **TEC/DME OLP Homecoming!**
Anyone who has made TEC or DME is invited to help build our OLP community by welcoming our teens and adults who have recently made DME. Please join us in the church Social Room for fellowship, sharing, and prayer. Contact Kathleen Peterson with questions, or to see how you can get involved, 814-833-7701, ext. 234, Kathleen.Peterson@olp.org
- 2/20/18, Tuesday, 4:00pm to 4:45pm: **ENCOUNTER— Guided Children's Adoration** for children in grades 1 through 8. All children & parents are invited to attend this guided Eucharistic Adoration with Mrs. Mandy Kelly. No experience necessary, Mrs. Kelly will walk the children through this entire interactive Eucharistic experience. OLP school students will be dismissed with the walkers and should gather in the lobby where Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Kathleen Peterson will meet them at 3:30 to bring them to the Social Room. Public & home school students should meet in the church vestibule by 4:00pm.
- 2/22/18, Thursday, 10:30am to 12:00pm: **Women in the Word**— Gathering for women of any age for prayer and fellowship. OLP Social Room; babies and children most welcome!



Next Week, February 25 to March 3

- 2/25/18, Sunday, 7:00pm to 8:00pm: **Youth & Vocation Holy Hour**— In the Church, all are encouraged to come and pray for our young people and an increase in vocations.
- 3/1/18, Thursday, 10:30am to 12:00pm: **Women in the Word**— Gathering for women of any age for prayer and fellowship. OLP Social Room; babies and children most welcome!
- 3/1/18, Thursday, 6:00pm to 7:30pm: **EPIC Middle School Ministry**
OLP Church Social Room—enter through the front by the church office. Guys bring drinks/girls bring snacks. New peeps get entered into a drawing for cool stuff—bringing friends is therefore encouraged!
ALL are welcome regardless of church affiliation!



Please download the myParish app and join the groups for EPIC, Women in the Word, Encounter, and the new High School Group!

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The Women Gather at the Well

Events in the near future we had such a great time with a “Traditional Cookie Bake Sale” and raised much more than we thought we would thanks to “ALL OF YOU.”

At our next meeting (**February 26th at 6:30PM**) we will be discussing how to prepare for a Novena for St. Joseph, St. Joseph’s Table, Adoration and The Weekend Rosary. We will also be having our Special Cookies for Sale again. Bring your ideas to ponder! Ladies, come help us as an OLP community in tribute to our family provider and protector, “St. Joseph.” Look forward to seeing you and new members are welcome to join us!

May St. Joseph bless us all

Our Lady of Peace...pray for us

JMJ intercede for us

Gloria Marinelli; Women Gather at the Well



2018 Catholic Services Appeal

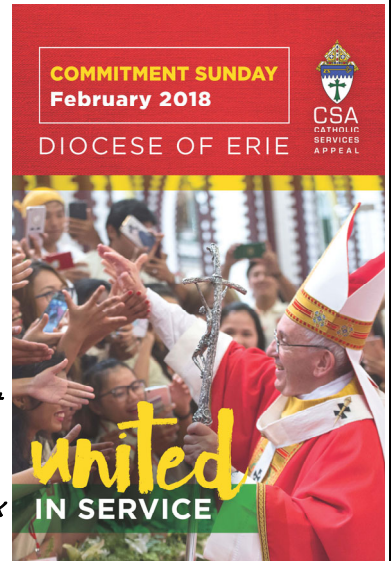
The theme for this year’s appeal is:
“United in Service.”

OLP Parish Goal: \$220,000

We appeal to every parishioner to make a generous pledge to the Appeal. All gifts, regardless of the size are important, needed and appreciated.

Thank you for your support!

This is also an opportunity to support our parish project: Renovations of the Church Office Complex (i.e. restrooms, painting, carpeting) and the mushroom lights outside.



Coaches Needed...

JV Track and Field Coaches Needed:

The OLP JV Track and Field Team is looking for coaches this season. If you can volunteer your time and talents and instruction for field events, please contact Denise Kuehl at 814-490-7230 or d.kuehl@roadrunner.com.

JV and Varsity Boy Soccer Coaches Needed

The OLP JV and Varsity Boys Soccer Teams are looking for coaches this season. If you have any interest in volunteering your time to coach either team, please contact Denise Kuehl at 814-490-7230 or d.kuehl@roadrunner.com

Congratulations to OLP’s Newest Eagle Scout...

William Pianta

William’s project: Install bricks around the Totem Pole and a walk way at Our Lady of Peace

Back Row (left to right):

Gary Ross, Dick Eisert, Howie Richards, Paul McCoy, Doug Fleming, Nathan Kujan

Front Row (left to right):

Vince Debernardo, Carol Richards, Alexa Pianta (Sister), Dave Pianta (Father), William Pianta (Eagle Scout), Lisa Pianta (Mother), Gary Baran (Scoutmaster), Dean Werner

William is a Freshman at Penn State Behrend and received his award at Blessed Sacrament Church





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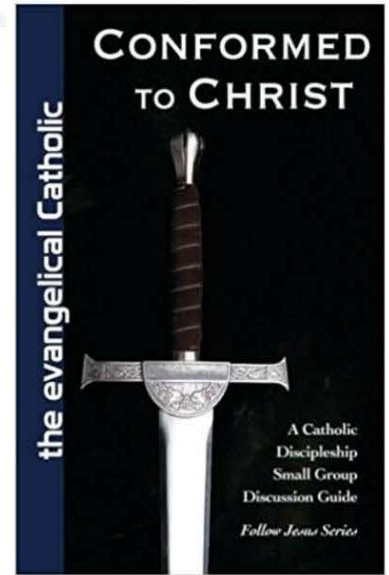
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